

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ____ (ss)

Introduced by: Denbo, Leuck

A RESOLUTION honoring Representative Susan Crosby on the occasion of her retirement from the Indiana House of Representatives.

Whereas, Representative Susan Crosby will be ending a part of her public life with the end of the 2002 legislative session when she will retire from the Indiana House of Representatives;

Whereas, In 1990, Representative Crosby became the first woman elected to serve the constituency of House District 44, which consists of Putnam, Clay, Parke, Vigo, and Montgomery Counties, and she has served continuously since that time;

Whereas, In 1996, Representative Crosby was chosen to serve as Deputy Speaker Pro Tempore after serving two years as the Assistant Majority Whip;

Whereas, Representative Crosby is respected and admired



by her colleagues and is considered to be a tireless advocate for Indiana's mental health system and one of the members who acts as the conscience of the House of Representatives;

Whereas, During her time in the House of Representatives, Representative Crosby has served as the Chairperson of the Commission on Mental Health, the Select Advisory Commission for Public Welfare, the Commission on Directions of Mental Health, the National Commission on Mental Health Needs of Rural America, the Commission on Women, and the Tourism Council;

Whereas, Representative Crosby has been a leader in her community as well as in the State House, serving on the Indiana Independent Colleges and Universities Board, as president of the Indiana Women's Political Caucus, as a board member of the National Alliance for Research on Schizophrenia and Depression, as secretary of the Indiana Mental Health Memorial Foundation, as president of Town and County Homemakers, as former chairperson of the Board of Deacons for the Roachdale Presbyterian Church, and in various positions for the Mental Health Association in Indiana;

Whereas, During her outstanding career, Representative Crosby has received many honors and awards, including the 2000 American Psychiatric Association Warren Williams Award, the 1992, 1994, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, and 2001 Indiana Mental Health Association Legislator of the Year Award, the 1999 National Mental Health Association Legislator of the Year Award, the 1997 NAMI National Legislator of the Year, 1996 Friend of the Consumer Award, 1996 Indiana University School of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry Advocacy Award, 1991 Indiana Broadcasters' Association Outstanding Freshman Legislator, Indiana Jefferson Award, Indiana Jane Award, and the Outstanding Young Women in Indiana Award;

Whereas, Throughout her tenure in the Indiana House of Representatives, Representative Crosby has been known and loved for her wonderful sense of humor and her unwavering devotion to Purdue University;



Whereas, Although she is often reminded that Indiana University and the glorious Hoosiers are still recognized as the premier basketball school in our beloved state, Representative Crosby has remained the number one fan of Boilermaker basketball, both the men and women's teams;

Whereas, It might also be noticed that Representative Crosby will be leaving the Indiana House of Representatives shortly after her favorite basketball coach, Robert Montgomery Knight, firing speculation that she perhaps is secretly an IU and Bobby Knight fan;

Whereas, In leaving the Indiana House of Representatives, we should always remember that anyone coming from a town named after a cockroach truly deserves all the admiration and respect of this august body; and

Whereas, Representative Crosby has served the citizens of District 44 and the state of Indiana well; she will be greatly missed: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives wishes to
2 express its heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to Representative Susan
3 Crosby for the countless hours of dedicated and distinguished service
4 she has given to the state of Indiana and its citizens and to wish her
5 continued success in her future endeavors.

6 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
7 Representatives shall transmit a copy of this resolution to
8 Representative Susan Crosby, her husband Joseph, and sons Todd and
9 Thomas.

